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FOR: METHOD FOR PRODUCING A WATER-IN-WATER POLYVINYL
LACTAM DISPERSION WITH A K VALUE OF = 120

RESTRICTION RESPONSE

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated July 16, 2009, Applicants elect, without traverse, Group I, Claims 1-9 (drawn to a process for preparing a polyvinyl lactam dispersion), for examination.

In addition, Applicants provisionally elect, without traverse and for examination purposes only, the following species (at least elected claims 1-7 readable thereon):

- (A) sodium sulfate as an inorganic salt and tri sodium citrate dehydrate as an organic salt; and
- (B) acrylic acid/vinylformamide copolymer as a polymeric anionic dispersant.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.